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## Florida Bicyle Month



The weather in South Florida has been ideal for bicyclists celebrating Florida Bicycle Month in March. Whether riding to work, school or for pleasure, bicycles help save you money and preserve your health and the environment. Here are some of the bicycle 'happenings' in South Florida.

## **Broward County**

The Broward MPO has developed a public education campaign relating to the Florida Statute that requires motorists to provide bicyclists with no less than 3 feet of space while on the road. For more information, visit www.browardmpo.org, and for a list of bicycle events in Broward County, visit www.broward.org.

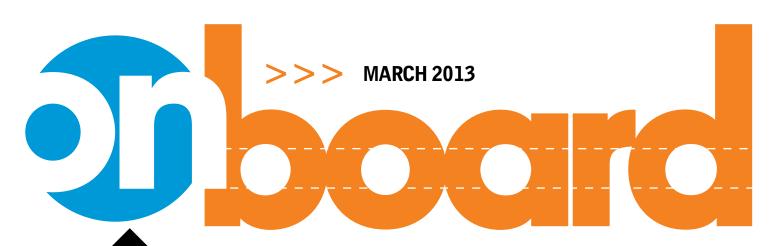
## **Miami-Dade County**

Bike 305 is a collaborative initiative of Miami-Dade mayors that encourages residents to ride and walk the more than 27-mile stretch of paved trails along the eastern edge of the county, to help support a more livable, healthy and sustainable Miami-Dade community. For more information on this effort and other biking events in Miami-Dade County, visit www.bike 305.com.

## **Palm Beach County**

Every Spring, Delray Beach is home to the Twilight Festival, at which hundreds of professional and amateur cyclists gather along with onlookers as they race through the streets of Downtown Delray Beach. For more information, visit www.delraybeachtwilight.com.





THE LATEST NEWS FROM THE SOUTH FLORIDA REGIONAL TRANSPORTATION AUTHORITY- A PARTNERSHIP BETWEEN BROWARD, MIAMI-DADE & PALM BEACH COUNTIES

## SFRTA Moving Our Region Forward

The South Florida Regional I Transportation Authority (SFRTA) has started the process of updating its 10-year Transit Development Plan (TDP), and we need your input! Dubbed SFRTA Moving Our Region Forward, the TDP is a strategic plan that lays out the vision of the agency for the next decade (2014-2023). The TDP process presents a great opportunity for the SFRTA to reinvigorate its identity, reassess its mission, address the mobility needs of a growing and dynamic region, and continue building partnerships to advance transportation projects in the tri-county region (Miami-Dade, Broward and Palm Beach).

Since the last TDP update completed five years ago, the SFRTA has taken a leadership role in facilitating regional transportation projects in addition to operating Tri-Rail and the free shuttle buses connecting to Tri-Rail. Some of these regional initiatives include increased parkand-ride capacity; efforts to promote sustainability and transit-oriented development; sponsoring the design and

construction of The Wave, Fort Lauderdale's downtown streetcar project; and introducing plans to extend Tri-Rail commuter rail operations onto the Florida East Coast (FEC) Railroad tracks.

MOVING OUR REGION FORWARD

So, tell us, which improvements or initiatives should be priorities for SFRTA over the next 10 years?

Send us your ideas and suggestions via email to: TDP@SFRTA.fl.gov. A website is currently being developed to provide the opportunity to provide input via surveys and other tools, join the project mailing list, and submit ideas, suggestions, or comments. We look forward to your input to set the vision of SFRTA for the next 10 years!

### LA SFRTA AVANZANDO NUESTRA REGIÓN

a Autoridad Regional de Transporte del Sur de la Florida (SFRTA) ha comenzado el proceso de revigorice su identidad, reevalúe su misión, aborde las necesidades de traslado de una región dinámica y creciente, y siga desarrollando asociaciones para progresar en los proyectos de transporte en la región conformada de tres condados (Miami-Dade, Broward y Palm Beach).

para que la SFRTA

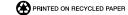
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actualización de nuestro Plan de Desarrollo de Transporte (TDP) de 10 años y necesitamos de su aporte. Denominado "La SFRTA Avanzando Nuestra Región" (SFRTA Moving Our Region Forward), el TDP es un plan estratégico que presenta la visión de la agencia para la próxima década (2014-2023). El proceso del TDP presenta una excelente posibilidad

líder para facilitar proyectos regionales de transporte, además de operar Tri-Rail y los servicios gratuitos de enlace en autobús que se comunican con Tri-Rail. Algunas de estas iniciativas regionales contemplan una mayor capacidad de estacionamiento en estaciones periféricas; esfuerzos para promocionar la sustentabilidad

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y el desarrollo orientado al tránsito; patrocinar el diseño y la construcción de The Wave, el proyecto de tranvías del centro de Fort Lauderdale; e introducir planes para expandir las operaciones del transporte ferroviario de pasajeros de Tri-Rail en las vías férreas de la costa este de la Florida (FEC).

Así que, díganos, ¿qué mejoras o iniciativas deben ser prioridad para la SFRTA durante los próximos 10 años?

Envíenos sus ideas y sugerencias por correo electrónico a: tdp@sfrta.fl.gov. Actualmente, se está desarrollando un sitio web para posibilitar que se hagan aportes mediante encuestas y otras herramientas, suscribirse a la lista de correo del proyecto y enviar ideas, sugerencias o comentarios. Esperamos con ansias su aporte para determinar la visión de la SFRTA durante los próximos ¡10 años!

### SFRTA AP FÈ REJYON NOU AN VANSE

Administrasyon Rejyonal South Florida pou Transpò (SFRTA) kòmanse pwosesis modènizasyon Plan Devlopman Transpò Komen (TDP), epi nou bezwen kontribisyon ou. Avèk sipò pou SFRTA K ap Fè Rejyon Nou Vanse, TDP se yon plan estrateji k ap prepare vizyon ajans lan pou pwochen deseni

an (2014-2023). Pwosesis TDP prezante yon bon jan opòtinite pou SERTA remonte idantite li, re-evalye misyon li, satisfè bezwen mobilite yon rejyon k ap grandi epi ki dinamik, epitou kontinye devlope patenarya pou avanse pwojè transpò nan rejyon twa konte yo (Miami-Dade, Broward, ak Palm Beach).

Depi dènye modènizasyon TDP nan dènye senk (5) ane yo, SFRTA jwe yon wòl enpòtan nan fasilite pwojè transpò rejyonal anplis operasyon Tri-Rail ak otobis navèt gratis ki konekte avèk Tri-Rail. Kèk nan pwojè rejyonal sa yo gen ladan ogmantasyon kapasite pakin-relè; efò pou ankouraje dirabilite ak devlopman ki

oryante sou transpò komen; sipòte modèl ak konstwiksyon The Wave, pwojè tramwe anbalavil Fort Lauderdale; epitou entwodiksyon plan pou agrandi operasyon tren pasaje Tri-Rail sou ray Chemennfè Florida East Coast (FEC).

Kidonk, di nou, ki amelyorasyon oswa pwojè ki ta dwe gen priyorite pou SFRTA nan pwochen 10 ane yo?

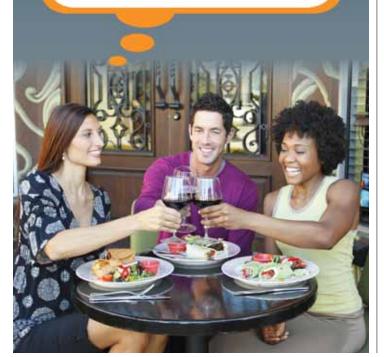
Voye lide ak sijesyon ou yo ban nou nan imèl nan: TDP@ SFRTA.fl.gov. N ap devlope yon sitwèb kounye a pou bay opòtinite pou bay kontribisyon ou nan sondaj yo ak nan lòt zouti, antre nan lis imèl pou pwojè a, epi soumèt lide, sijesyon, oswa kòmantè. N ap tann kontribisyon ou pou fikse vizyon SFRTA pou pwochen 10 ane yo!



Dear Tri-Rail.

I love going out with you; the friendship, the laughter, the savings – especially on gas. With you I can just relax and be myself. You know my heart skips a beat when I see you coming ... because I know you're destined for me.

Your rail fan. Renee





# Bicycle Locker Program

To help celebrate Florida Bicycle Month, a Tri-Rail 'Prize Pack' will be raffled to all Bicycle Locker Program (BLP) members who register during the month of March. Tri-Rail's BLP provides added convenience to your daily commute, as these secured lockers are located at Tri-Rail station platforms throughout the entire system. There is a \$20 refundable deposit required per locker.

Submit your deposit by March 31st to be entered in the drawing!





# Pack Your Bags!

A licia DiMuro of Ft. Lauderdale was randomly selected as the winner of Tri-Rail's "Pack Your Bags" promotion. As part of the campaign, commuters were encouraged to ride Tri-Rail as a convenient and cost-effective way to get to and from South Florida's major airports. DiMuro was one of many consumers who entered for the chance to win a 4-day, 3-night trip for two to Las Vegas as part of this effort.



# Alternative Fuel Champions



Southeast Florida Clean Cities Coalition Coordinator, Christine Heshmati (left) and Hollywood Commissioner Patty Asseff, Coalition Chair, (right) stand alongside Waste Management's award-winning CNG-fueled disposal truck, on display following the awards ceremony.

Members and stakeholders who have made outstanding contributions to the Southeast Florida Clean Cities Coalition's goals were recently recognized at a breakfast ceremony held at the South Florida Regional Planning Council offices in Hollywood. The aim of the coalition is to reduce dependence on imported oil and improve the environment by creating a sustainable fuel market.

Among the award recipients were Debbie Griner, Environmental Resources Project Supervisor for the Department of Regulatory and Economic Resources, Miami-Dade County, who helped garner millions of dollars in grant funds to support alternative fuel vehicles and equipment. The Car Charging Group and Wise Gas were awarded for installing electronic and compressed natural gas stations, respectively, providing new charging stations available for alternative fuel vehicles throughout our region. Waste Management and Florida Power & Light were also recognized as organizations that have continuously supported the coalition's efforts.

The Southeast Florida Clean Cities Coalition is a public/private partnership of individuals, companies and government agencies committed to maximizing the use of vehicles operating on clean, alternative fuels. The role of the coalition is to provide a fuel-neutral policy direction that supports clean energy throughout the four-county region of Broward, Miami-Dade, Monroe and Palm Beach counties.